

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes	
Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Annual Meeting
Date	Thursday, October 18, 2012
Time	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room
Members Present	Pat Berckman, Donovan Bergstrom, Charri Brummer, Adam Cohen, Karen Crompton, Patrick Garcia, Gini Highfield, Scott Jackson, Anthony Johnson, Spencer Larsen, Nindy Le, James Marchel, Judge Michie, Van Nguyen, Troy Rawlings, Shirlee Silversmith, Rachael Skidmore
Members Excused	Pam Vickrey
Members Absent	Craig Dearden, Kaisa Kinikini
Staff	Reg Garff, Ron Gordon, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen, Jacey Skinner
Visitors	Susan Burke, Lisa-Michele Church, Matt Davis, Maria Garciaz, Dave Garciaz, Audrey Hickert, Mindy Vanderloo
Agenda Item	Welcome and Approval of Minutes
Notes	<p>Adam Cohen called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Gini Highfield made the motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. James Marchel seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Officer Elections – UBJJ Nominations 2012, from Anthony Johnson UBJJ Chair Elect: Spencer Larsen Pre-Adjudicated Committee Vice Chair: Troy Rawlings Title V Committee Vice Chair: Gini Highfield Youth/DtWT Committee Chair: Rachael Skidmore DMC Committee Vice Chair: Scott Jackson</p> <p>Patrick Garcia made the motion to approve the nominations. Pat Berckman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.</p>
Agenda Item	Systemic Priorities (tape 04:41)
Notes	<p>Juvenile Justice Services – Susan Burke, Director The JJS budget was cut nearly \$3 million last year. Susan detailed the latest accomplishments of JJS, including the opening of the Blanding Observation and Assessment Unit, piloting in-home observation and assessment in Salt Lake City, the addition of an on-site clinician at Southwest Utah Youth Center and \$450,000 of in-kind contributions and 50,000 volunteer hours. JJS implemented electronic files for Youth Parole Hearings, purchased software to develop and deliver on-line training and are moving toward electronic files case management. Budget cuts remain an ongoing concern. Susan will notify Reg when openings are available for youth parole board positions.</p> <p>Juvenile Court – Lisa-Michele Church, Juvenile Court Administrator Lisa-Michele reviewed major accomplishments and upcoming challenges for Juvenile Court. Board members received copies of the <i>2012 Juvenile Court Report Card to the Community</i>.</p> <p>More than 34,000 referrals were made to Juvenile Court last year. Sixty-seven percent of delinquent youth involved with Juvenile Court in Utah do not re-offend within a year. Forty eight percent of juveniles will have only one referral and never return to Juvenile Court. Ninety three percent of referred youth are adjudicated within 45 days of the first hearing.</p> <p>DCFS – Brent Platt, Director of DCFS Charri Brummer, Deputy Director of DCFS spoke in Brent's absence. Accomplishments this past year include an award for the child welfare demonstration project. (IV E Waiver Demonstration Project) The project will help children at risk of foster care placement remain safely with their families and improve wellbeing for children and families receiving in-home services. It will increase Utah's capacity to serve children for whom an allegation of abuse, neglect, or dependency</p>

	<p>has been supported and for whom ongoing services are required. Improvements have been made to Centralized Intake and Structured Decision Making (SDM).</p> <p>Charri discussed challenges facing DCFS, funding priorities and legislative strategies, gaps in mental health services and the need to work together with the Juvenile Court and Juvenile Justice Services.</p>
Agenda Item	Statistical Report – Risk and Protective Factors in Utah (tape 1:39)
Notes	<p>Matt Davis presented <i>Indicators of Well-Being and Services for Youth</i>, and noted that indicators of well-being haven't changed much throughout the state and that Utah youth continue to do better than youth in other states. Matt discussed antisocial behavior, alcohol/substance abuse and mental health.</p> <p>Suggested target areas include: antisocial behavior in specific geographical areas (Salt Lake, Tooele, Weber/Morgan and Four Corners), and targeting youth before 8th grade.</p> <p>The website for the program directory tool (Utah Yellow Pages for Youth) is: http://ucjc.csw.utah.edu/map/#. Youth Services has been contributing to this effort. The website has a new user interface, and new categories of services, including a DMC category.</p>
Agenda Item	CCJJ Update (tape 2:13)
Notes	<p>The Juvenile Justice working group has been discussing a blended sentencing issue. Ron asked the Board to keep on top of this issue, which will have lots of implications with the JJDP Act, such as sight-sound separation. A significant change to juvenile justice processing in recent decades in other states has been blended sentencing. Unlike traditional juvenile court or adult court waiver processes, blended sentencing statutes provide authority to juvenile or adult court judges to sanction delinquent offenders with juvenile and adult dispositions.</p> <p>The Utah Sentencing Commission is developing sentencing guidelines and re-writing juvenile sentencing guidelines. Sex Offender treatment needs to be included in the discussion.</p> <p>CCJJ is also working on a re-write of the Statewide Warrant System. Another study done on Felony Theft Enhancement may be relevant for juvenile court too. The question asked is "Have we seen a deterrent effect on subsequent theft offenses given the felony enhancement currently in code"? Findings by Ben Peterson, Ph.D. state that 39.4% of those convicted on two thefts were not deterred from committing a third.</p> <p>Another study was done regarding those in prison for low dollar amount crimes.</p>
Agenda Item	Youth Advocate of the Year Award
Notes	<p>This year's recipient is Maria Garciaz who was recognized for more than thirty years of service and advocacy, promoting innovative policy and programs serving the youth and families of Utah.</p> <p>Outgoing members Adam Cohen (2003 – 2012) and Charri Brummer (2009 – 2012) were recognized for their years of service to the Board.</p>
Agenda Item	CASP Grant Update (Community and Strategic Planning Grant) (tape 3:20)
Notes	<p>Audrey Hickert presented a final report on the <i>DMC Arrest Assessment</i>. The assessment involved local jurisdictions and worked to identify potential explanations for why disproportionate minority contact (DMC) occurs among juveniles at the points of arrest and referral. The report also provided follow-up data analyses and explored possible solutions to address the disparity.</p> <p>Key findings were shown for UPD School Analysis, SLPD Gang Analysis, WJPD School Analysis, WVCPSD School Analysis, LPD School Analysis, ODPS Offense Severity Analysis and OPD Central City Analysis.</p> <p>Recommendations and next steps for the working groups are: to further explore school data, policies/practices; examine prevention/intervention options for most common juvenile/minority issues; and, to evaluate/monitor efforts (phase IV and V of the DMC Reduction Model). The full report will be posted on the UBJJ website in about a month.</p>
Agenda Item	Review & Establish 2013 Funding Priorities (tape 4:28)
Notes	The Board discussed funding priorities for 2013, making many suggestions.

	<p>Final recommended program priority area are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delinquency prevention projects for children K-8 (change priority for in-home support to grades 4-8). 2. Reduce the disproportionate representation of minority youth at decision points within the juvenile justice system from arrest through transfer and waiver to the adult system. 3. Expand drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services for youth. 4. Increase and improve crisis intervention and treatment needs of youth in the juvenile justice system with mental health problems or developmental disabilities. 5. Increase success of girls in the juvenile justice system through gender specific/female responsive services. 6. Increase access to mentor programs serving youth involved in the child welfare or juvenile justice system and without significant adult support. 7. Expand and improve sex offender services and resources within the juvenile justice system. <p>Judge Michie made the motion to accept these changes as discussed. Patrick Garcia seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p>																
Agenda Item	Utah Sentencing Commission (tape 2:51)																
Notes	Jacey Skinner, Director of the Utah Sentencing Commission discussed two legislative drafts, <i>Life Without the Possibility of Parole</i> and <i>Aggravated Murder – Mandatory Life Without the Possibility of Parole</i> , which the Sentencing Commission's Juvenile Subcommittee has been studying regarding juvenile sentencing. Their objective is to ensure that state statute conforms to two recent supreme court decisions.																
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Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, 2012, Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room, 8 am – 9:30 am																

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